

Health Information Technology Commission
Meeting Information

Date: Thursday, March 8, 2007
1 - 4pm

Location: MDCH Conference Room C
1st Floor, Capitol View Building
201 Townsend Street
Lansing, Michigan 48913

Commissioner Attendance:

Robin Cole	Mark Notman, Ph.D.	Teri Takai
Greg Forzley, M.D.	Janet Olszewski (absent)	Larry Wagenknecht, R.Ph.
Joseph Hohner	Robert Paul	Jeanne Strickland
Toshiki Masaki	Tom Lauzon	
Robert McDonough	Tom Stevenson, D.O.	

Staff:

David McLaury – MDCH
Beth Nagel – MDCH
George Boersma - MDIT

Guests:

Linda McCardel – MPHI	Donna LaGosh – OCMS
Kelly Coyle – MPHI	Dana Green – MPHI
Marsha Manning – GM	Helen Hill - HFHS
John Hazewinkel – MSU	Margaret Marchak – Hall Render
Frank Venuto	
Dan Armijo – Altarum	
Tom Centlivro – Trinity Health	

Agenda:

A. Welcome

- The Commission Chair provided a welcome to the Commissioners and guests.
- New Commissioner, Tom Lauzon, was introduced and gave a brief introductory bio. He will be representing third party payers.
- Each Commissioner and all guests introduced themselves.

B. Commissioners Updates and Comments

- Joe Hohner updated the Commission that Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan is participating in seven Health Information Exchanges and has written the HIEs letters of support.
- Tom Stevenson updated the Commission on the Health Information Privacy and Security Collaboration (HISPC) conference. Per an update at the conference, the Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT may extend more funding for the HISPC Project. Dana Green from MPHI will be at the next HIT Commission meeting to share HISPC findings and final report with the Commission.
- Tom Stevenson also shared an article included in the Commissioner's packets about consumer conception and understanding of Electronic Medical Records for the Commission's information.
- George Boersma, MDIT, provided an update on the FCC Rural Health Pilot Project. A group of Michigan's health care industry and rural health stakeholders have come together to begin writing a proposal even though the request for proposals has not been released at the time of the meeting. This group is moving forward and we are anticipating great progress.

C. Approval of 2-8-07 meeting minutes

- The minutes from the previous meeting were approved unanimously without any discussion.
- Minutes will be put on the Commission's website.

D. Discussion on the Statewide HIE Resource Center Immediate Responsibilities and Advisory Board Structure

- The Commission engaged in a thorough discussion of the roles and responsibilities of the Statewide HIE Resource Center.
- A revised document detailing the Advisory Board and Resource Center responsibilities will be sent out via email to the Commissioners for their review and approval.
- Commissioners who would like to serve on the Resource Center's Advisory Board should let Tom Stevenson or Beth Nagel know as soon as possible.

E. Presentation from the Southeast Michigan Health Information Exchange

- Marsha Manning from GM and Helen Hill from Henry Ford Health System provided an overview of the Southeast Michigan Health Information Exchange project.

- Slides from this presentation are included in the Commissioner's folders.

F. Time for Public Comment

- Tom Centlivro from Trinity Health noted that standards adoption should be a high priority for the Commission and the Resource Center. Having standards in place will help stakeholders and leaders get behind Health Information Exchange. Several members of the Commission echoed their agreement with this statement.
- Tom Centlivro from Trinity Health suggested an alternative name for the Resource Center, which is the Readiness Center. This will ensure the Center is focused on preparing the Regional HIEs.

G. Closing:

- It was noted that the next meeting – April 12th – falls on Spring Break for many Michigan high schools. As such, several Commissioners will not be in attendance.
- The Commission decided to meet anyway and move forward.
- Commission materials will be sent out ahead of time to allow for Commissioner's who will be absent to comment on agenda items.